

CAR-118
J. Butler House
Ridgely
Private

Circa 4th Quarter 18th Century

Reputed to be one of the Boone family houses, the Butler House is the smallest of the three, which include Cedarhurst and Marblehead. The oldest portion of the house is two stories tall and two bays long plus a central entrance on each side. The "hall" contains good late 18th Century paneling across the fireplace wall. In form and plan, it is like the Noble House near Hickman. The building is essentially a vernacular dwelling.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

J. Butler House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Dukes Road, approximately one mile west of Holly Road

CITY, TOWN

Ridgely

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

First

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Caroline

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Maggie Butler

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

P.O. Box 126

CITY, TOWN

Greensboro

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21639

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE.

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Caroline County Courthouse

Liber #: 96

Folio #: 304

STREET & NUMBER

Market Street

CITY, TOWN

Denton

STATE

Maryland 21629

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The J. Butler House is located on a dirt lane off Dukes Road, approximately one mile west of Hilly Road in the vicinity of Ridgely, Caroline County. The house has two section, a brick Federal style house with a frame Victorian addition.

The original section is two storys of Flemish bond brick with struck joints on the main facade and common bond elsewhere. The main facade is three bays on the first story with a central doorway that has a flat arch lintel. There is a replaced sash, 2/2 panes in wide frames, in the windows which flank the door on the first story and identical window are above in the two bay second story. The east facade has a full length, one story enclosed frame porch. There is a box cornice, asbestos shingle roof, and interior end chimney stacks at both gable ends.

The frame addition was constructed at a right angle to the original section. The porch on the original section continues along the south side and east gable end of this addition. This section of the porch is open and has turned posts and ornamental swan-neck brackets. The east gable end has a doorway and a 2/2 pane sash window on the first story, a central window (shorter in size from the first story one) on the second story, and a rectangular window in the gable. Windows are numerous along the other facades of this two story addition.

The interior of the brick section is two rooms and the south wall of the larger room (the room containing the cross passage of the entrances) has extensive woodwork. This wall has a corner staircase in the west wall and a central fireplace, with wood paneling around the staircase entrance, above the mantel piece and a built-in cupboard well-designed and ornamented in the east section of the wall. This room also has a chair rail and quirk-ogee molded door frames.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The brick section of the J. Butler House appears to be of late eighteenth century build and is particularly significant by virtue of its woodwork. The frame addition of the late nineteenth century is somewhat more harmonious than other similar situations in Caroline County houses. The farmhouse presents a refined articulation of rural architecture in the county without the pretensions of attempting to be "high style."

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

February, 1977

STREET & NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

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